IN LOVING MEMORY

Of

Sister Thelma Mason

1933 – 2021

Memorial Service
Monday, August 16, 2021
11:00 A.M.

McGlothan Temple Church
1443 Fred Jackson Way
Richmond, California 94801

Pastor Willie C Haynes, Officiant

THELMA'S SCROLL OF LIFE

Thelma was born in Gilmer, Texas, the only child of Annie Mae Carr, a young mother who died soon after Thelma was born. She was raised by her Grandmother, Donnie Roberts, and her mother's older sister, "Aunt Lizzie".

They all left Gilmer for Bonham, where Thelma attended school and where they toiled in fields, picked cotton, and performed day work to earn a meager living. They walked for miles or hired rides on horse drawn wagons as they sought work from town to town. It was in Bonham where Thelma met and married Odell Mason. The couple, along with grandma Roberts and Aunt Lizzie, eventually made their way to Wichita Falls, TX, where Thelma and Odell began to raise their three children.

They moved on to spend a year in Amarillo, Tx before heading to California in 1965 to make it their permanent home. It was not long before Thelma established membership at McGlothan Temple in North Richmond where she worshipped until she reached declining health. Thelma loved to cook. She also enjoyed traveling. She and her three BFFs took to the road whenever they could, traveling throughout the country in addition to taking cruises and traveling to Mexico on occasion. She worked as a caretaker until she retired. Thelma enjoyed life and was always ready to join in a good time. She was truly loved and will be missed by all.

On August 2, 2021, she separated from this earth to a better place. She leaves, not to mourn, but to cherish her memories, two sons, Anthony (Cheryl) Mason of Modesto. California, Garry (Sikia) Mason of Vacaville, California, 15 grandchildren, Jacqueline Mason, Stacy Mason, Lamont Mason, Dewayne (Cabbage) Berotte, Frank (Lala) Robinson, Garry Mason Jr., Odell (Tiffani) Mason, Vontre (Denielle) Mason, Gerald Mason, Deshawn Mason, Elijah Robinson, Chanel Marshall, Shanette Marshall, Pamela Robinson, and Tony Robinson.; 30 great grandchildren, four great-great grandchildren, and countless other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her only daughter, Lois Mason Robinson, and grandson Ray Robinson , Jr.

GOING HOME CELEBRATION OF
SISTER THELMA MASON
July 26, 1933 – August 2, 2021

Music Prelude

Processional.....Pastor, Elders, Family

Invocation .....Elder Stephan Hodge

Scripture:

Old Testament: *Psalms* .....Elder S. Butler

New Testament: Matthew 11:28 – 30.....Elder R. Huey, Sr.

Musical Selection.....Elder R. Huey, Sr.

Last Farewell Dear Grandma.....Emani Mason

Reflections (*2 minutes please*).....Family and Friends

Remarks

McGlothen Temple Men's Dept.....,.....,... Deacon J. Walker

McGlothan Temple Women's Dept.....Mother B. Shepherd

Obituary/Acknowledgments.....Mother B. Shepherd

Resolutions.....Dr. Emma Clark Sermonic

Solo.....Evangelist Lucy Hodge

Introduction of Eulogist.....Pastor William C. Haynes

Eulogy.....Elder John A. Jennings, Pastor Emeritus

The last Glimpse Until Glory

Recessional

Final Resting Place
Rolling Hills Memorial Park
Richmond, California

FREE AT LAST

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My Life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now; He set me free.

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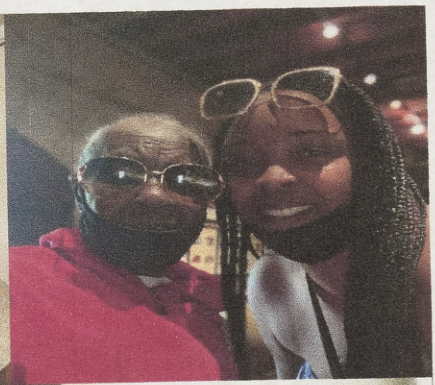

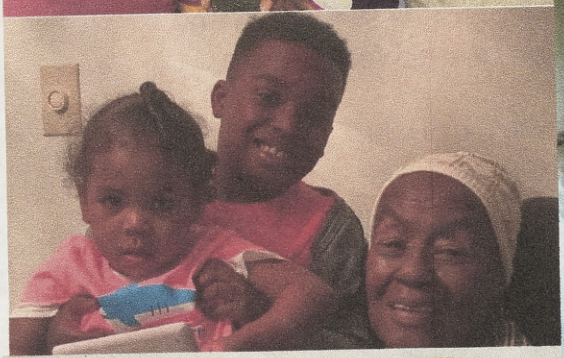

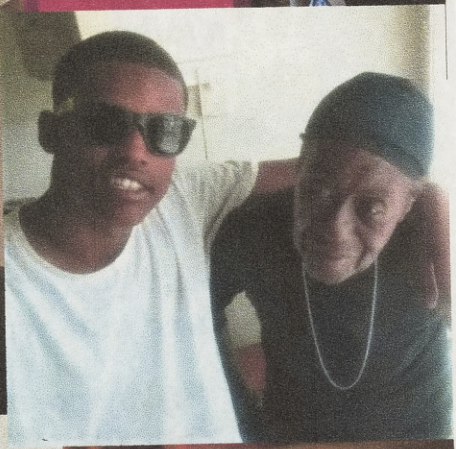

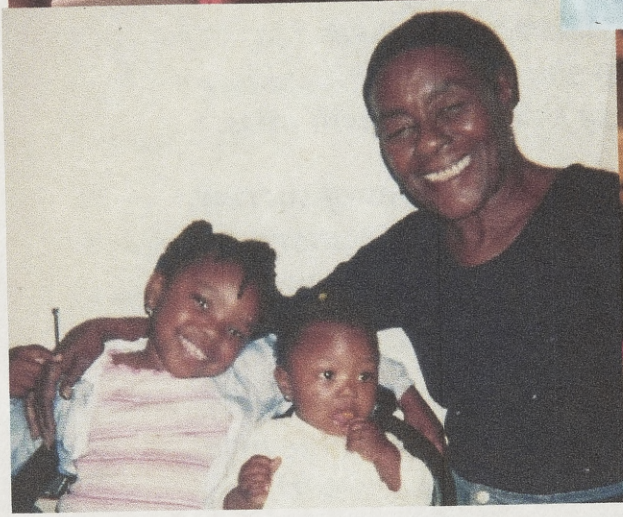

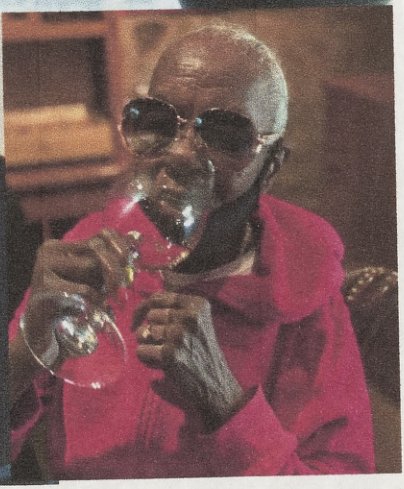

Active Pallbearers

Odell Mason
Vontre Mason
Gerald Mason
Amir Mason
Elijah Robinson
Deshawn Mason

Honorary Pallbearers

Garry Mason, Sr.
Garry Mason, Jr.
Odell Anthony Mason
Frank Robinson
Antoine Berotte
John Lamont Mason

God saw you getting weary, He did what He thought best.
He came and stood beside you, and whispered, "Come and rest."
We were not ready to have you go, but God always knows what's best.
You bid not one farewell, not even a sad good-bye.
You were gone before we knew it, and only God knows why.
It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.
God gave us strength to bear it, courage to take the blow.
But what it meant to lose you, God will only know.

Acknowledgement

In this hour of bereavement, we wish to acknowledge with our deepest appreciation the great outpouring of sympathy and consolations we have received from our friends. You have filled our hearts with your prayers and help. May God bless you.

--the family of Thelma Mason

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